

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
APRIL 19, 2005

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:05 P.M.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by Pastor Mike Malinsky of St. Peter's Lutheran Church.
 - B. Pledge – Mayor Fred Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Martha Myers, August Tindell and Craig Hawes – Absent: Robert Kittle.
 - D. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of April 5, 2005. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

None
- III. New Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Reading of a Resolution entitled 'RESOLUTION NO.17, 2005, A CONFIRMING RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 23, 1996 DESIGNATION OF AN "ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA" UNDER I.C. 6-1.1-12.1 FOR PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1751 Arcadia Drive, Columbus, Indiana. 47202.' Judy Jackson, Director of Community Development, explained the situation of the Amended Resolution and then introduced Larry Van Epps, Executive Vice-President for Diamet. He spoke of the corporation and the need for the Amended Resolution as did Darren R. Bailey, CPA, Senior Manager for Baden, Gage & Schroeder, LLC. Craig Hawes, City Council Person, indicated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found Diamet to be in substantial compliance. Craig Hawes moved to approve the Resolution. Ann Devore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
 - B. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO.18, 2005, A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE "CITY OF COLUMBUS HOUSING RLF" A NON-REVERTING FUND, AND PROVIDING AUTHORITY FOR DISBURSEMENTS TO BE MADE THERE FROM." Judy Jackson, Director of Community Development, and Trena Carter, of ARA, explained the need for the Resolution. Judy Jackson indicated the City of Columbus had become an entitlement city which makes it necessary to establish the City of Columbus Housing RLF Non-Reverting Fund. Trena Carter reported how this fund would allow the money to be controlled more locally. Martha Myers made a motion to pass the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
 - C. First reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO.____, 2005, AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2005." Chuck Wilt, Director of Parks, presented this

Ordinance. He asked for an additional appropriation in the amount of \$ 127,730.00. Chuck explained the need for the additional appropriation with regards to the stream bank protection, surge protection at Hamilton Center, traffic study and survey. Ann DeVore indicated she would be abstaining from any voting on this item. She stated there was no conflict of interest but the possibility her husband may be doing some of business on the items. Each item was discussed individually. George Dutro made a motion to place the Ordinance in proper channels with the condition the survey and traffic study possibly be paid from already appropriated money. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

- D. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.11, 2005, AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS WITHIN THE PARK NON-REVERTING CAPITAL ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF AMPHITHEATER SOUND EQUIPMENT.” Chuck Wilt, Director of Parks, presented this Ordinance. He explained the necessity of replacing the pieces to the sound equipment. He explained with all the events scheduled at the Amphitheater this summer, the Parks Department could not afford to have the system not be reliable. Discussion followed. Craig Hawes made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the Ordinance on first reading. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. George Dutro made a motion to pass the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- E. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.19, 2005, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL TO ENTER INTO A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THE H.E.L.P. INDIANA BOND BANK PROGRAM AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS FOR THE AGREEMENT.” Chuck Wilt explained this Resolution is requesting Council approval to enter into a lease-purchase agreement with Hoosier Equipment Lease Purchase (H.E.L.P.) Indiana Bond Bank program to purchase items already approved in the 2005 capital budget. Total cost for these capital items is \$353,532.29 . Martha Myers moved to approve the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- F. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO.20, 2005, A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS TO DESIGNATE THE USE OF CERTAIN APPROPRIATIONS IN THE 2005 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET FOR “B” PRIORITY ITEMS.” Jim Norris, Director of City Services, asked the City Council release items already approved in the 2005 capital budget. He requested authorization to purchase a semi-auto packer truck and 96 gallon toters. Jim explained the advantages and disadvantages to this new garbage pick-up system. Extensive discussion followed. George Dutro made a motion to approve the Resolution. Craig Hawes seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.
- G. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO.____, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE UNIFORM PERSONNEL POLICIES OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS INDIANA.” Eric Hayes, attorney for the City of Columbus and Chuck Boll, Personnel Director, presented a new version of the City Personnel Policy. The question arose as to what was actually changed in the policy. George Dutro made

a motion to table the item until the Council was able to ascertain the exact changes. Discussion followed. George moved to withdraw his motion. Craig Hawes made a motion to place in proper channels with the understanding that a copy of the personnel policy showing the new revisions would be delivered to each Council Person by the next morning. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0.

IV. Other Business

Standing Committee and Liaison Reports- Craig Hawes reminded everyone of the Human Rights Dinner on May 5, 2005. Martha Myers reminded everyone of the Animal Control Open House and Ann DeVore reminded everyone of the Recycling Art Show at the Commons.

- B. Next Regular Scheduled meeting May 3, 2005.
- C. Adjournment – Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:40 o'clock P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer